

TOWN OF POLK
Annual Town Board Minutes
APRIL 13, 2010 -7:30 P.M.

I. Call Meeting to Order - Chairman Schulteis

Chairman Schulteis called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

Present: Chairman Albert Schulteis, Supervisor Harold Groth, Supervisor Ted Merten, Treasurer Shirley Kissinger, Zoning Secretary Judy Stephenson, and Clerk Marlyss Thiel. Town members and guests present are listed on the sign in sheet.

II A. The Pledge of Allegiance

III Official Meeting Notification

Chairman Schulteis called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.. Notice was sent to the West Bend News, Hartford Times Press, WBKV, WTKM, Milwaukee Journal Sentinel and posted on the website and at the Town Hall, Highway View School and Cedar Lake Hills bulletin boards.

IV Financial Report

Treasurer Kissinger read the Treasurer's report as of April 8, 2010.

V Report of Town Chairman

Chairman Schulties read his Annual Report:

Our Planning Commission members, Appeal Board members, and office staff are second to none and a pleasure to work with. Shirley Kissinger, Treasurer; Judy Stephenson, Zoning Secretary; John Frey, Building Inspector/Zoning Advisor; and our newest member Marlyss Thiel, Town Clerk complete the office staff. They make this place flow as smoothly as it does. Our recycling center is manned by Bill Loser and Herb Kieferndorf. Terry Fassbender heads our Highway Department. I commend him for his efforts in maintaining our equipment, grounds, and roads.

Drive our roads and notice the lack of stone fences (except the scenic areas). Property owners have a pride in their homes and place of business. Brush and weeds are continually trimmed to the right-of-way lines.

Last year we repaired Stoney Lane, Peaceful Hills, and part of Birnamwood. This summer, with the help of the State Railroad commissioner, the Canadian National railroad is scheduled for total reconstruction at the Slinger Road crossing. This year's road projects will go out for bid in the next few weeks.

The snow season was short, leaving us a salt reserve of 800 ton of salt for the 2010/2011 winter season. We saved money in fuel, wages, and wear-and-tear on our equipment as a result, which is always good.

Our office equipment has been updated, with a new printer system, computer and monitors, and next week, the addition of a new telephone system that will allow our staff to access messages from outside the office. This will help in serving our Town residents better.

VI. Report of Zoning Secretary

Zoning Secretary Stephenson reported that building permits and land divisions were down in the 2009 year. There were 6 new homes, 39 plumbing, 82 electrical, and 94 misc. building permits issued. There were 4 land divisions.

VII New Business

Chairman Schulties reported: Tonight's meeting is not a regular Town Board meeting, but it is an Annual Town Meeting. The procedure tonight is according to Wisconsin State Statute 64.13, the Town Chairperson shall chair and conduct the proceedings of the meeting. After new business is presented, motions, seconds and voting will be done by the Town's electors (that is anyone who is a resident of the Town). A count of legal residents will be established by the Clerk, and all votes will be hand voted and tabulated by the Clerk.

A. Discussion and Possible Approval by Citizens of the Town of Polk to allow the Town Board to sell approximately one half acres of Town Property located at Pleasant Valley Road and Arthur Road.

Chairman Schulties gave a brief history of the parcel of land, located at the intersection of Pleasant Valley and Arthur Roads, in Section 9 of the Town. The land was purchased in 1905 by the Town of Polk and it is assumed that this was done because Pleasant Valley and Arthur Roads were being reconstructed.. Since the slope of the hill was cut back so aggressively, the Town purchased the ½ acre parcel. Joseph Knoebl, adjacent land owner to this parcel passed away, and left his estate to be divided into 5-acre parcels. They came to the Town for planning and it was just made good sense to incorporate this ½ acre parcel into the estate. The estate has made an offer to the Town of Polk for \$10,000. At this time, we are asking the electors, directed by state statutes, to approve the sale should the family decide to move in this direction. We will need a motion for this.

Karen Reiter moved to allow the Town Board to sell approximately one-half acres of Town property, located at Pleasant Valley Road and Arthur Road for \$10,000. Motion was seconded by Willard Heppe. (19 voted yes, 0 voted no). Motion carried, with a show of hands.

B. Other Appropriate Annual Meeting Business

Marilyn Merten asked for a financial report from Baker Tilly Virchow Krause, LLP for the year ending December 31, 2009 was distributed. The Town did not go through a complete audit for 2009 year, because we as a township, does not have any debt.

VI. Adjournment

Marilyn Merten moved and Karen Reiter seconded a motion to adjourn. All voted aye by a raise of hands. Motion adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Marlyss K. Thiel
Town Clerk